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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously presented) A backlight device for lighting a liquid crystal display device, comprising:

self-luminous sources in primary colors of red, green, and blue, wherein the three primary colors from the self-luminous sources being mixed and synthesized into white light; and

a light-conducting plate and/or a light-scattering plate;

the self-luminous sources of the three primary colors are illuminated sequentially at different timings for each color and so that the self-luminous sources periodically illuminate in sequence by a switching operation and the light-generating timings for every two of the self-luminous sources partially overlap, thereby achieving time-division light-emission.

- 2. (Original) The backlight device according to Claim 1, wherein light-emitting diodes are used as the self-luminous sources of the three primary colors.
- 3. (Original) The backlight device according to Claim 1, wherein a fluorescent body for generating light by light-absorption is provided to the light-conducting plate and/or the lightscattering plate.
- 4. (Currently amended) The backlight device according to Claim 3, wherein the phosphor fluorescent body comprises a light-accumulating fluorescent body or long-residual light phosphor.